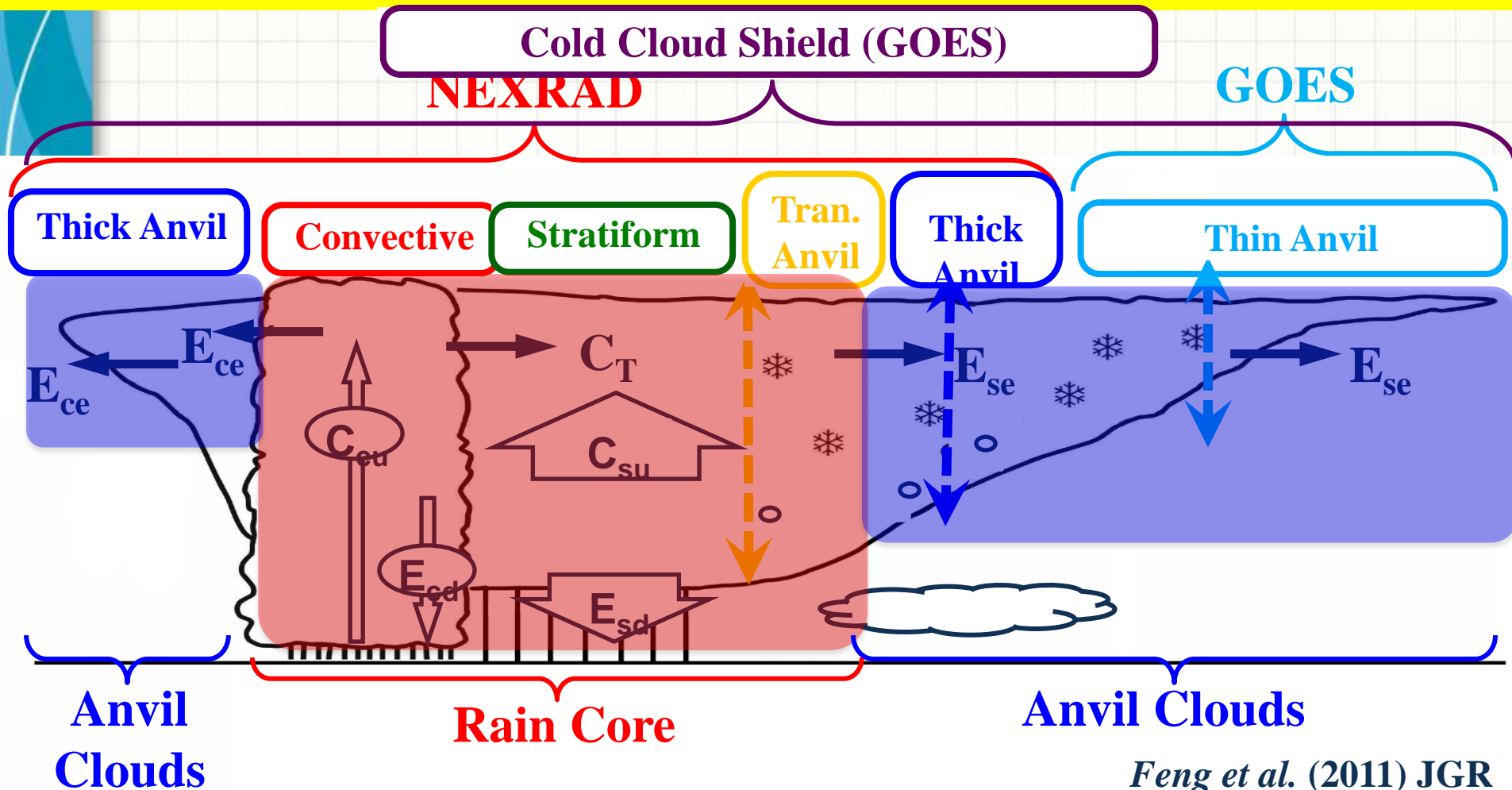


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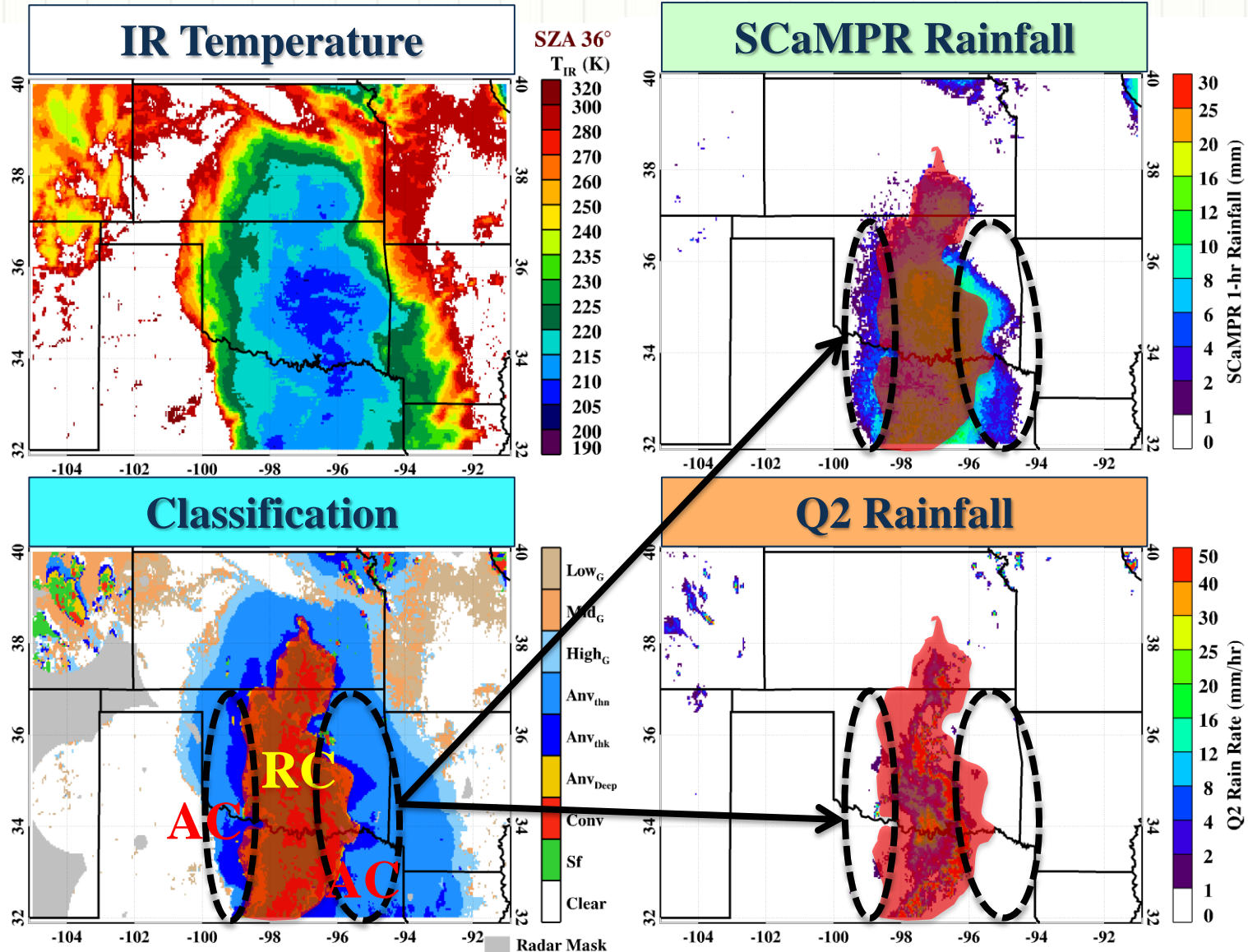
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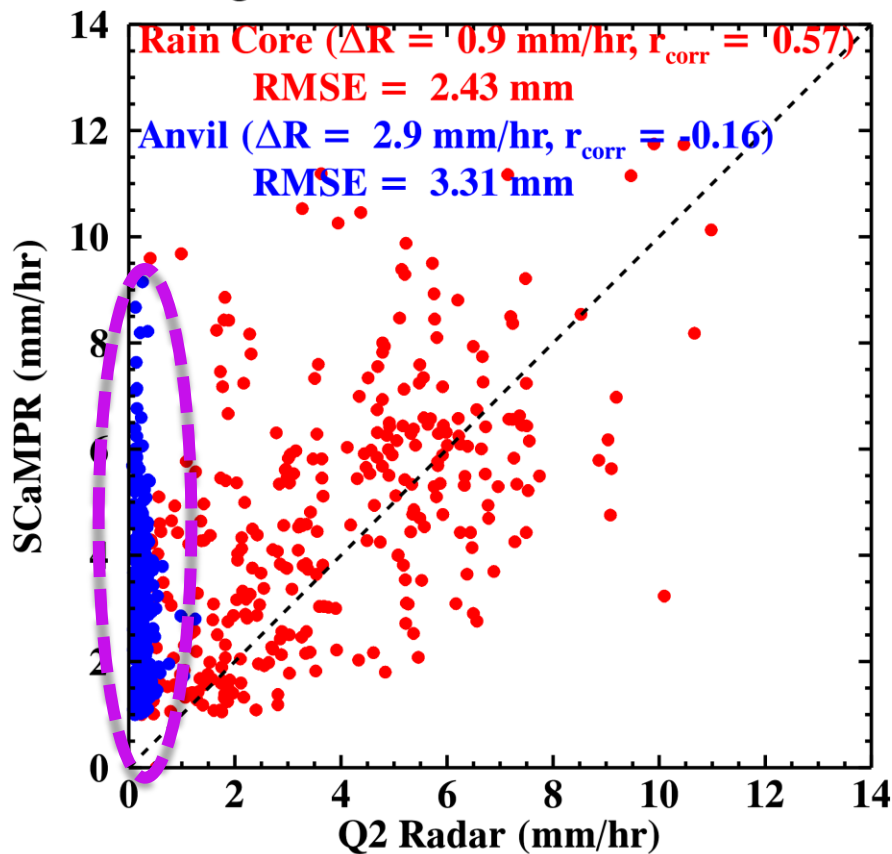
Classify Rainfall from DCS Components



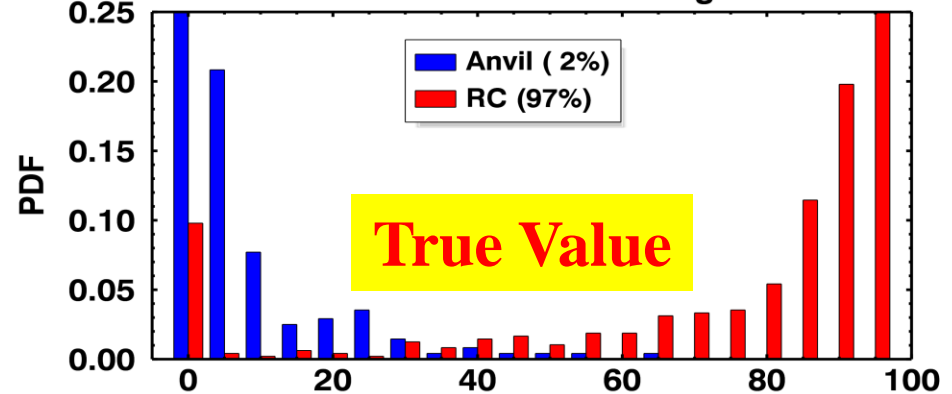
What are the % of rainfall from **rain core** and **anvils** in SCaMPR and Q2?

Rainfall Comparison

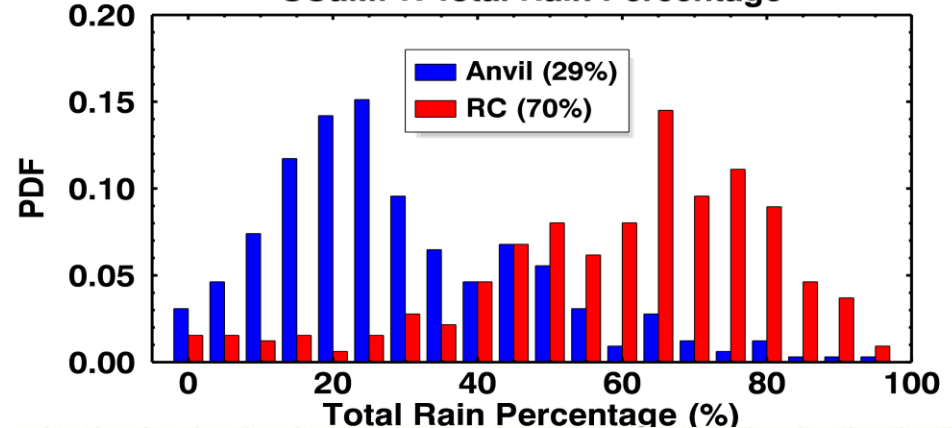
Q2 vs. SCaMPR Mean Rain Rate



Q2 Total Rain Percentage



SCaMPR Total Rain Percentage

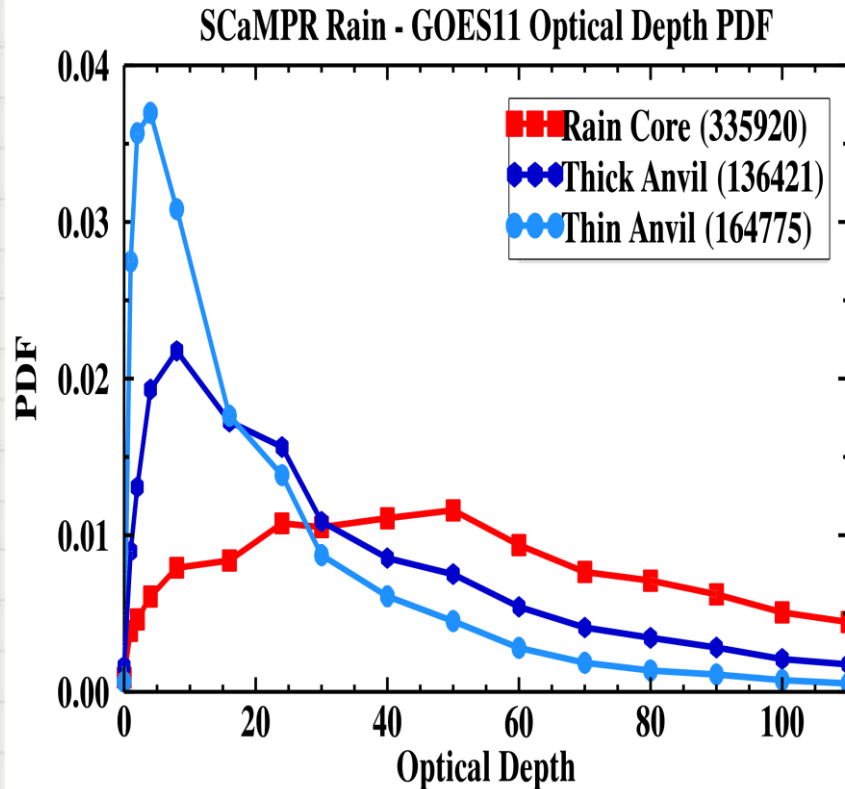


Rainfall in **anvil**: SCaMPR (29%) vs. Q2 (2%)

Rainfall in **rain core**: SCaMPR (70%) vs. Q2 (97%)

Overall: SCaMPR overestimated precipitation compared to Q2, in particular over Anvil region .

How to Improve SCaMPR Precipitation?



- Daytime optical depth shows significant difference between both types of **anvil clouds** and **rain core**
- Optical depths in **anvil region** may be used to improve the SCaMPR precipitation retrieval (filter out non raining areas)

Step 1:

Improving SCaMPR method by distinguishing anvil clouds from rain cores using more available channels (MODIS proxy data), Radar, and Aircraft data during MC³E experiment over ARM SGP (15 convective+anvil cases during Apr-June 2011)

Step 2:

Extending the modified SCaMPR method to continental USA and comparing with NEXRAD Q2 precipitation product. (For more details, See Zhe Feng's poster)